

# MARCH COTTON TOUCHED 8 CENTS

Flood of Selling Orders  
Drove it Back.

## PARTIAL RECOVERY

FROM FOUR TO FIVE POINTS  
RISE IN ENGLAND.

## STRONG AND ACTIVE IN BELT CENTRES

The Crop Movement Was Not up to Anticipations. Market For Futures Closed Irregular and Easy, Under a Spurt  
of Wall Street Realizing

New York, Feb. 3.—In the dry goods market heavy brown sheetings and drills were quiet and without change in prices; the browns were firm. Print cloths were idle in regulars. Wide goods were quiet at previous prices. Bleached cottons were steady and in average demand. Denims and ticks were strong but business was moderate. Prints were in fair request for staple varieties. Fancies quiet; tone steady. Ginghams were unchanged; searce and strong. Cotton yarns were strong, the demand being larger than the supply and prices moving against buyers. There was more doing in worsted yarns at previous prices. Woolen yarns were firm.

### COTTON.

New York, Feb. 3.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of from one to six points and while not showing weakness, ruled irregular during the fore part of the session. March touched eight cents soon after the call, but a flood of selling orders carried that option back four points after which it gradually worked higher again. An evident desire of the investment public to take profits, notwithstanding in view of the sheer rise of seven-eighths cent per pound since the present bull movement set in, served to restrain the more enthusiastic room bulls. Considerable difference of opinion existed as to the cause of the sudden rise of four to five points in the English market this morning. Some cables claimed the advance abroad grew out of another sense of Continental shorts; others attributed the rise to firmness of spot cotton in the South while still other advised that manipulation engineered by prominent New York Commission houses, local parties exhibited disputes from the belt which portrayed great strength and fair activity in spot cotton centers. The crop movement was not up to anticipations.

The market for futures closed irregular and with prices net two points higher to three points lower, having gone off at the close, under a spurt of Wall Street realizing.

### STOCKS AND BONDS.

New York, Feb. 3.—Speculation in today's short session of the stock market was swayed by long ventures encouraged by the statement of the St. Paul Railroad for the fourth week of January, and a disposition to take profits. A level of prices had been early established which indicated a handsome rise on securities purchased earlier in the week. The tendency to realize was very manifest after the publication of an exceptionally favorable bank statement.

Although the downward movement assumed some force near the end, owing to a violent break of three and three-eighths per cent in American Sugar, the earlier advances gained by the St. Paul's showing, and that of minor roads was not entirely cancelled. Interest was revived to a marked extent in a number of the Iron and Steel issues. National Steel moved up two points and receding fractionally. Tennessee Coal and Iron fell into comparative dullness and although it covered a range of three points, terminated unchanged.

Some comment was excited by a rise of five points in General Electric, which was generally attributed to reports of encouraging earnings. American Sugar's plunge downward was ascribed to gossip concerning the trade war. Third Avenue occupied a less conspicuous position in the market than of late and moved in somewhat narrow limits. A tendency to cover in some directions, coupled with free selling in spots, caused a very irregular close to the day's business. Transactions were unusually heavy for a short time and the number of stocks dealt in almost equaled that of yesterday.

Bonds have been well absorbed during the week, but there has been some irregularity in price movements.

United States old 4's advanced 14, the 5½ and new 4's 3½ in the bid price. The 3's declined 14.

The total sales of stocks today were 364,100 shares, including: Atchison preferred, 10,345; Baltimore and Ohio, 23,362; Burlington, 19,775; Rock Island, 7,394; Northern Pacific, 13,875; Missouri Pacific, 7,075; Reading first preferred, 9,000; St. Paul, 19,775; Southern Pacific, 17,750; Union Pacific, 6,450; American Steel and Wire, 9,050; American Tobacco, 6,050; Brooklyn Transit, 10,425; National Steel, 11,775; American Sugar, 62,950; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 8,070; Republic Iron and Steel, 5,048.

### WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

New York, Feb. 3.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, increase, \$1,503,300; loans, increase, \$11,249,800; specie, increase, \$5,002,600; legal tenders, increase, \$438,500; deposits, increase, \$15,391,200; circulation, increase, \$223,000.

The banks now hold \$30,871,275 in excess of the legal requirements.

### GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 3.—Wheat was early weak, on disappointing cables, but some buying by foreigners, a somewhat better cash demand, apprehension over crop conditions and sympathy with corn later counteracted this, the market closing firm, May 15c, under yesterday. Corn was up on light country offerings and damage reports from Argentina, May closing 15½c higher. Oates closed unchanged and provisions 56½c lower.

### HAVEN AND STOUT'S COTTON LETTER.

New York, Feb. 3.—(Special)—Speculation in cotton this week has been excep-

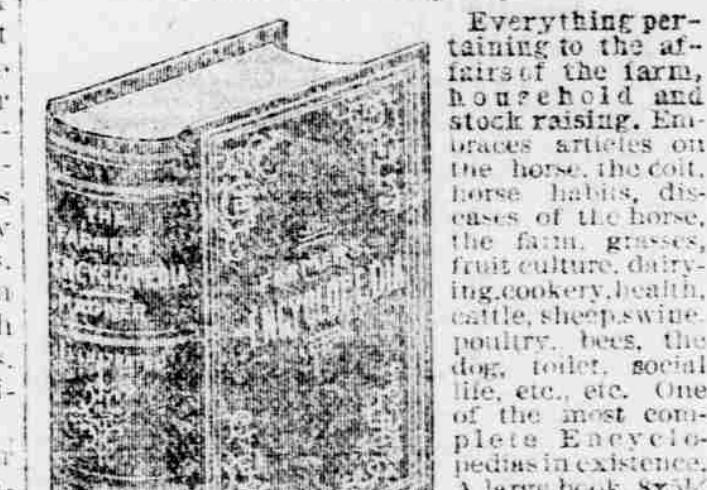
ingly active and prices have advanced to the highest level yet seen for the present crop year and for two or three years past. The tone was confident, and bullish sentiment predominates to an extent which, with the sharp rise, attracts considerable outside participation. The factors which are responsible for the movement have been stated week after week in our letters. The crop is undoubtedly a moderate one. Good business as regards the spinning industry throughout the world necessarily leads to increasing consumption and demands for raw cotton. Stocks abroad are small, and, as stated last week, the amount of cotton held at Liverpool is fully 1,000,000 bales under the figures of a year ago. Lancashire spinners seem to be at last awakening from the delusion with which they were led by exaggerated estimates of their chosen experts as to the size of the crop and are protecting themselves by buying on a scale in keeping with their known requirements. The continent, too, had been acting on the idea that its cotton mills could make better terms by waiting and has finally reached the conclusion that cotton is worth its full present price and will probably command much higher values before the new crop becomes a factor in the question of supply and demand. It is also to be noted that the condition of the spinning industry and prices for manufactured cotton goods, notably the price of the raw article, a minor factor. Last year print cloths sold at 15c, at Fall River, and are now quoted at 31c. This is merely an illustration, but the same principle runs through the whole cotton manufacturing situation. Spot markets are very firm at the South, and a fact which influences the trade is the discovery that practically all the cotton in sight at shipping ports has been acquired by foreigners. The week has been marked by further advances in spot quotations, both here and abroad, and the speculative movement has, to all appearance, done no more than keep pace with the actual statistical and trade developments that would legitimately affect values.

The speculative feature seems to be that traders are satisfied that cotton is worth more than ruling prices, and they are ready to buy on every break. Large profit taking accompanied the successive advances, but the market has held and invariably took such offerings in a way that would demonstrate the existence of a large buying power on concessions.

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A great many women who are ill try everything they hear of in the way of medicine, and this experimenting with unknown drugs is a constant menace to their already impaired health.

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It seems so strange that some people will take medicines about which they really know nothing, some of which might be, and are, really harmful; while on the other hand it is easily proved that over one million women have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

We have published in the newspapers of the United States more genuine testimonial letters than have ever been published in the interest of any other medicine.

All this should, and does, produce a spirit of confidence in the hearts of women which is difficult to dislodge, and when they are asked to take something else they say, "No, we want Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which has been tried, and never found wanting, whose reliability is established far beyond the experimental stage."

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"Four years ago I had almost given up hope of ever being well again. I was afflicted with those dreadful headache spells which would, sometimes last three or four days. Also had backache, bearing-down pains, leucorrhœa, dizziness, and terrible pains at monthly periods, confining me to my bed. After reading so many testimonials for your medicine, I concluded to try it. I began to pick up after taking the first bottle, and have continued to gain rapidly, and now feel like a different woman. I can recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in the highest terms to all sick women."—Miss ROSA HELDEN, 126 W. Cleveland Ave., Canton, O.

"Two Letters which Prove that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Will Remove Tumor and Cure Other Female Weakness.

"Two years ago I was a great sufferer from womb trouble and profuse flowing each month, and tumors would form in the womb. I had four tumors in two years. I went through treatment with doctors, but they did me no good, and I thought I would have to resort to morphine.

"The doctor said that all that could help me was to have an operation and have the womb removed, but I had heard of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine and decided to try it, and wrote for her advice, and after taking her Vegetable Compound the tumors were expelled and I began to get stronger right along, and am as well as ever before. Can truly say that I would never had gotten well had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound."—MARY A. STAHL, Watertown, Pa.

"After following the directions given in your kind letter for the treatment of leucorrhœa, I can say that I have been entirely cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's remedies, and will gladly recommend them to my friends."—A. B. DAVIDS, Binghamton, N. Y.

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"DEAR FRIEND—Two years ago I had child-bed fever and womb trouble in its worst form. For eight months after birth of babe I was not able to sit up. Doctors treated me, but with no help. I had bearing-down pains, burning in stomach, kidney and bladder trouble and my back was stiff and sore, the right ovary was badly affected and everything I ate distressed me, and there was a bad discharge.

"I was confined to my bed when I wrote to you for advice and followed your directions faithfully, taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Liver Pills and using the Wash, and am now able to do the most of my housework. I believe I should have died if it had not been for your Compound. I hope this letter may be the result of benefiting some other suffering woman. I recommend your Compound to every one."—MRS. MARY VAUGHN, Trimble, Pulaski Co., Ky.

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